

The Ahoooga News



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Beaver Chapter Model A Ford Club



BEEP! BEEP! LITTLE SHEEP!



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The Beaver Chapter is a non-profit organization dedicated to the restoration and preservation of the Model A Ford automobile. Membership is open to all people with a sincere interest. Members will be asked to volunteer a minimum of three hours annually to fill the club duty roster at the Portland Swap Meet.

Beaver Chapter Membership commences on January 1st, or the date paid and expires on December 31st. Dues are \$25 for a member plus \$1:00 for a spouse/partner. Late renewals are charged \$5.00. Make a check payable to Beaver Chapter, submit signed membership application to Membership Coordinator at the meetings or send directly to Chris Irwin 507 N College, Newberg, OR, 97132. Bylaws Article III, Section 2 states: "Membership in the national club (Model A Ford Club of America) shall be a prerequisite for all active members of Beaver Chapter." MAFCAs dues are \$50.00. Make check out to Model A Ford Club of America and mail directly to 250 S. Cypress St. La Habra, CA 90631-5315.

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Beaver Chapter Webmaster: Pamela McClafin. **Web Site: <http://beaverchapterford.org>**

The Ahooga News is the club newsletter. Articles and contributions are encouraged and will be used as space permits. Send directly to the Editor at mandphaighthorsefarm@yahoo.com. The deadline is the Sunday following the club meeting.

THE PREZ SEZ



This year, our club successfully combined the annual Past President's tour with the MAFCA National Convention.

The favorable weather conditions and the picturesque setting of the area provided an ideal backdrop for our convention. The motto, "This ain't our first rodeo," aptly

captured the warm, friendly, and hospitable atmosphere the town of Pendleton extended to all of us.

The Blue Mountain A's hosted the event, and the city of Pendleton extended its full support. Their Police Department provided invaluable assistance in managing traffic at the convention center. Notably, they even closed off Main Street for a photo opportunity. During our journey to Pendleton, we only had one "roadside seminar," which was promptly addressed.

We should all be proud of the numerous contributions made by the Beaver chapter to the overall success of the convention. Roger Green diligently oversaw the hospitality room, while Pan McClafflin managed the raffle room. At our recent club meeting, Pam reported that the Raffle Room generated over twenty-one thousand dollars in support of the 2026 convention. In addition to the raffle room proceeds, our seminar entry fees further contributed to the financial success of the event.

Gary Bartman delivered a seminar on the advantages of installing a Positive Crankcase Ventilation system for the Model A engine. He also shared insights from the ongoing oil analysis program that our club has conducted over the past year. Regular monitoring of engine oil samples serves as a finite method for predicting premature engine component failures. Greg Edwards presented a seminar on the two-tooth steering gear. He acknowledged that the limited time allocated during the convention was insufficient to cover the subject matter comprehensively. Greg has offered to schedule a more detailed seminar at his garage in September.

Thanks to all the volunteers, presenters, and participants who made this convention a success. I'm looking forward to being able to attend the next MAFCA National Convention. The week was truly a great experience.

The first Wednesday breakfast on August 5th is at 9:00 at Biscuits Café 19273 Molalla Ave, Oregon City. Our next tour will be on Saturday July 25th with the Beaver / Volcano A's to the Day in Damascus celebrating America's 250th Anniversary. For more information go to www.damascuscentennialpark.org

BOARD MEETING MINUTES JUNE 17,2026

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by President Kent Uhl. Present were Mike Worthington, Michael Haight, Chad Worthington, Ron Baird, Debbie Dutton, Kirk Metteer and David Adair. Other members present were Jeanie Adair, Anita Uhl, Rene Metteer and Leonard Dutton.

Kent reported that at our last meeting the flag was not secured. Kent would like help with lockup.

Garbage taken out, flag and PA system secured, and the doors locked.

Michael wants a change of address for Steve and Joyce Bee. He will continue having the newsletter out by the first of each month.

Kirk is working on a tour for October.

Mike is happy that Debbie kept the Past Presidents dinner below budget. The Swap Meet Board voted 4 to 2 to discontinue the Portland Swap Meet. Mike requested that he and Leonard continue one more year to close out the LLC and the Portland Swap Meet business.

Chad reported that one member is disappointed that they couldn't get one of the green T shirts. However Brenda Caseday went over T shirt details at two meetings and the information was in the club newsletter for two months.

No more reports, the meeting adjourned at 6:40 PM.

Respectively submitted,

David Adair, Secretary

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES JUNE 17,2026

The Meeting was called to order by President Kent Uhl at 7:30 PM and he led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. There were no guests or new members.

Debbie Dutton gave a report on the Past Presidents Dinner, saying 46 people attended and the food was good.

Gary Bartman shared the mishaps of driving to Pendleton for the National Meet.

Tours: Ron Baird will lead a tour Saturday, June 20th to play miniature golf. In July Kent will lead a tour to Damascus Days celebration. In August Chris Irwin has a Farm Tour and in September David Adair will take us to Shady Dell Miniature Train Park.

Mike Worthington reported that the vote by clubs was 4 to 2 to discontinue the Portland Swap Meet. The Chevrolet Club and Beaver Chapter Model A Club voted to continue the swap meet but the four other clubs voted nay.

Newsletter: Michael Haight said he is new to the job as editor and his newsletter will get better. If you are not receiving the club newsletter talk to Chris Irwin. Michael also reported that he and two other members went to the 100th anniversary of the Burnside Bridge in Portland.

Pam McClafin gave a summary of the Raffle Room at the National Meet. The total funds collected was over \$21,000. Several club members donated prizes and several club members won raffles.

At the National Meet an AA truck had engine problems. The owner loaded it on a trailer, returned home to Spanaway WA., removed the old engine and installed a new engine and returned to Pendleton in time to drive it on the AA Truck Tour.

Greg Edwards has volunteered to have a two tooth steering gear seminar in September. This will include adjustment of the steering gear.

Raffles: Membership #207 Ron Baird (Ron just happened to draw his own number). Name Tag #69 Vincent Dunn, and the 50/50 was won by Michael Haight \$63.50.

Pam would like photos of our members at the National Meet for our club website.

Terry Findley shared that he listed a Model A for sale and two guys responded. The first guy kept asking Terry if he had received the check. When the check came it was for \$3000 over the asking price. And the guy told Terry to mail the overage to the second guy. At this point Terry realized that it was a fraud! Bruce Ernst had his AA Flat Bed Truck in fine point judging and received a score of 440 points which is an Award of Excellence.

Amanda Uthe participated in era Fashion Judging and she received an Award of Excellence.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:44 PM.

Respectively submitted,

David Adair, Secretary

2026 Tour Season - July to December

<u>Date</u>	<u>Leader(s)</u>	<u>Comments</u>
July 25	Kent <u>Uhl</u>	Damascus Days - Meet at Oregon City Shopping Center at 8:00 AM, Leave at 8:15 AM.
August 22	Chris Irwin	Farm Tour - Brentano Farms - Details in the making.
August 29	Event of Interest (Not a tour)	<u>Cutsforth Cruise-In</u> - Canby, OR - 9 AM - 2 PM
September	Adair	Shady Dell Miniature RR Tour - Molalla, OR - Bring lunch
October 3	<u>Metteer</u>	Interesting Collection - Meet OC Shopping Center. In Redland area. More details to come.
November	?	
December	No tour generally planned.	

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A WINNER

MODEL A JUDGING



The car I had judged in Pendleton is a 1931 slant window cabriolet, 68C. It was entered in the “modified class”, because it has a Riley overhead valve head conversion on a Model B block. It was painted by Beaver Chapter member, Amanda Uthe. I decided to have it judged since I had not driven it much since completion. Now, I’ll just drive it. Thanks--Bill



The original Bill Jab's engine!
Power to spare!

DURANGO ?

The 2027 MAFCA National Tour will be in Durango, CO in June 2027. Although that's about a year away, it's not too soon to begin planning.

Having been on numerous cross country Model A adventures, we have a few suggestions for your consideration.

- 1). Arrange your lodging in Durango as soon as possible. Registration will open on Aug 1st. We suggest you make sure you can cancel your registration without a charge. This is just in case you can't make the journey when the time comes.
- 2). Find a few others that also plan to attend the tour and plan the trip with them.
- 3). Limit your travel group to 4 or 5 cars. Larger groups can cause impeding traffic and loss of spontaneity at mealtimes. Eight or ten people can stop almost anywhere and be served. More than that and it almost always needs a reservation.
- 4). As a group, decide how many miles you are willing to travel each day. Consider long distances that may exist between accommodations. You may want to shorten or lengthen a day of travel to have lodging.
- 5). Plan your route thoroughly to limit unpleasant surprises or disappointments. However, it can also add to the adventure if there is a misstep.
- 6). Make sure your car is road worthy for 3000+ miles and you have towing coverage.
- 7). Take a MAFCA National Roster with you. This can be an invaluable tool when you're 1000 miles from home and a repair becomes necessary. If the person you call can't help you, chances are they will know someone who can.
- 8). We enjoy making travel days shorter at about 150-200 miles each day. This allows us to take time to see things along the way. Remember, it's about the journey, not the destination. We have friends who like to travel 300+ miles each day. I think they see a lot of windshield and not much else. I think they are a little crazy.
- 9). Take pictures. Take a lot of pictures! Your long-lost friends may not appreciate them, but your travel partner will. Write a journal of your trip.
- 10). Have fun! It doesn't matter if you take a wrong turn, have to make a U-Turn, or never find that museum you wanted to see. It will still be a great day. One to remember!

Submitted by Pam McClafin

PICTORIAL REVIEW

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KATHLEEN NORRIS

begins the most romantic novel she has ever written

"LITTLE MISS CINDERELLA"

ALSO IN THIS ISSUE

Eddie Wharton
Willow David Stone

Raymond Miller
William Gilbert
Margaret Colkin Benson

Ann Hand
Konrad Bercovici

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FASHION DETAILS By Jeanie Adair

Remember last month I showed an example of a 1927 era hat, so here is a 1928 to compare the difference. Sure the crown is deep, but not as much as 1927 were. A cloche hat is a fitted, bell shaped hat of various depths. They were popular from the early 20's to about 1933.

Beaver Chapter Model A Club - Gots and Wants

Gots

Wants

	1930/31 RADIATOR VINCENT DUNN 503-586-6811
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BILL JABS CORNER

BATTERIES AT COST!!!

Hi Kent. For the past few years, a friend and fellow club member (Classic Club of America), now deceased, had an account with Battery Exchange, where he got a pretty big discount on Optima batteries. I have opened a commercial account with them, and will be offering batteries to Beaver Chapter members at my cost. Below is a summary of what I can offer:

6 volt red top--\$200 with an exchange (\$19) battery. The cheapest I can find are at Walmart and Amazon, both over \$250

12 volt Group 25--\$250 with exchange. This is not a big savings, as they can be bought at Amazon for \$258.29

If people want a battery from me, they will need to come to my house and pick them up.

Bill Jabs

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SAVE THE DATE FOR A FUN RELAXING AFTERNOON!!



DAMASCUS DAYS JULY 25TH FLYER KENT UHL

HA!HA! BAD JOKES, RIDDLES AND SOME SERIOUS STUFF !!

Jokes and riddles for the Month

WHAT IS THE BEST FUEL TO USE IN A MODEL 'A'?

WHEN IS A MODEL 'A' LIKE A BLOND?

WHEN IS YOUR 'A' MORE LIKE YOUR WIFE?

WOMEN ONLY: WHICH PEDAL DO YOU STEP ON WHEN GOING DOWN HILL?

SERIOUS STUFF

ALWAYS CARRY IN YOUR MODEL A N ABC FIRE EXTINGUISHER MINIMUM 6 POUNDS
AND MAKE SURE IT IS ACCESSABLE.

CHECK YOUR TIRE PRESSURE BEFORE DRIVING YOUR MODEL A 36 P.S.I.

ALWAYS HAVE A TOW SERVICE PROGRAMED INTO YOUR CELL PHONE

IF YOU DON'T HAVE A CELL PHONE-GET ONE AND CARRY IT.

Poem of the month

I KNOW A FELLOW NAMED CHAD

WHO GOT AN 'A' FROM HIS DAD

HE HAD GOOD LUCK

IT WAS A PICK UP TRUCK

AND FOR THIS 'A' HE IS GLAD

AUTHOR: SHALL REMAIN ANONOMOUS ALTHOUGH WE HAVE A PRETTY IDEA WHO IT IS.

BIRTHDAYS FOR JUNE



Gary Meyers 3rd Lori Symank 4th Jeanie Adair 5th Tony Moore 6th
Bonnie Starkweather, Marlin Binder, David Kratochvil & Amada Uthe 7th, Kent Uhl 8th,
Shirley Slack 10th, Dale Witkowski & Cheryl Witkowski 12th,
Mary McConnell & Ed Soldana 13th Sharon Fancher
Lynn Sondena, 20th Mike Stevenson 21st
Ray McNamee 23rd Lyn McDonald 25th



Attention !! Beaver Babes

We gals are getting together August 13th at noon for tea and coffee.
The event will be hosted at Pam McClaflin's home 367030 SE
Haughlum Rd., Sandy Oregon. **Please RSVP** .
Pam's phone number is 503-778-0434